

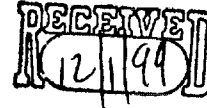


90 Orville Drive, Bohemia, NY 11716-2510 ■ Phone: (516) 567-9500 ■ Fax: (516) 567-1953

68274

NOV 29 1999

November 29, 1999



Office of Special Nutritionals
Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition
Food and Drug Administration
200 C Street, SW (HFS-450)
Washington, D.C. 20204

Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter will serve as a 30 day notification pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act of 1994 that NBTY Inc. is using the following statement on our Joint Choice supplement under the DEI brand name:

Joint Choice helps maintain healthy joint cartilage.

The above statement is accompanied by the required disclaimer pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act.

Sincerely,

Ona Scandurra, MS, RD
Director of Nutrition Communications

97S-0162

LET 4692